

## Abstract

The present invention relates to a communications system and method, an information processing apparatus and method, an information management apparatus and method, a recording medium and a program that make it possible to efficiently and comfortably make use of contents, which are stored in one server, from a plurality of devices connected via a network. In a case where stopping of content being played, bookmark information including a time stamp representing a stopped position of the content is stored in association with predetermined identification information. The bookmark information is available for various apparatuses notifying the identification information. When playing of the content from a position designated by the information from a predetermined apparatus, the time stamp included in the bookmark information is referred and the playing of the content from the stopped position is started. The present invention can be applied to various apparatuses such as a personal computer, audio equipment, a PDA, a mobile phone and the like.